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**INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY REPORT ON PATENTABILITY**  
 (Chapter I of the Patent Cooperation Treaty)

(PCT Rule 44bis)

Applicant's or agent's file reference <b>P05605DP</b>	<b>FOR FURTHER ACTION</b>	
See item 4 below		
International application No. <b>PCT/KR2004/003118</b>	International filing date (day/month/year) <b>30 November 2004 (30.11.2004)</b>	Priority date (day/month/year) <b>01 December 2003 (01.12.2003)</b>
International Patent Classification (8th edition unless older edition indicated) See relevant information in Form PCT/ISA/237		
Applicant <b>LG Electronics Inc.</b>		

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## PATENT COOPERATION TREATY

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INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY

(PCT Rule 43bis.1)

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International Patent Classification (IPC) or both national classification and IPC <b>IPC7 G11B 20/10</b>			
Applicant <b>LG Electronics Inc. et al</b>			

## 1. This opinion contains indications relating to the following items:

- Box No. I Basis of the opinion
- Box No. II Priority
- Box No. III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
- Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention
- Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
- Box No. VI Certain documents cited
- Box No. VII Certain defects in the international application
- Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application

## 2. FURTHER ACTION

If a demand for international preliminary examination is made, this opinion will be considered to be a written opinion of the International Preliminary Examining Authority ("IPEA") except that this does not apply where the applicant chooses an Authority other than this one to be the IPEA and the chosen IPEA has notified the International Bureau under Rule 66.1bis(b) that written opinions of this International Searching Authority will not be so considered.

If this opinion is, as provided above, considered to be a written opinion of the IPEA, the applicant is invited to submit to the IPEA a written reply together, where appropriate, with amendments, before the expiration of 3 months from the date of mailing of Form PCT/ISA/220 or before the expiration of 22 months from the priority date, whichever expires later.  
For further options, see Form PCT/ISA/220.

## 3. For further details, see notes to Form PCT/ISA/220.

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WRITTEN OPINION OF THE  
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International application No.

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Box No. I Basis of this opinion

1. With regard to the language, this opinion has been established on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

This opinion has been established on the basis of a translation from the original language into the following language, which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (under Rules 12.3 and 23.1(b)).

2. With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application and necessary to the claimed invention, this opinion has been established on the basis of:

a. type of material

a sequence listing  
 table(s) related to the sequence listing

b. format of material

in written format  
 in computer readable form

c. time of filing/furnishing

contained in the international application as filed.  
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3.  In addition, in the case that more than one version or copy of a sequence listing and/or table relating thereto has been filed or furnished, the required statements that the information in the subsequent or additional copies is identical to that in the application as filed or does not go beyond the application as filed, as appropriate, were furnished.

4. Additional comments:

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**Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement**

**1. Statement**

Novelty (N)	Claims	1-22	YES
	Claims		NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	5-22	YES
	Claims	1-4	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-22	YES
	Claims		NO

**2. Citations and explanations :**

Reference is made to the following documents:

D: EP 1,130,927 A2 (MEDIA GLUE CORPORATION) 05 September 2001

**1. Novelty and Inventive Step**

The subject matter of claims 1-22 of the present invention discloses a method and apparatus for transcoding digital audio/video streams, where video data is transcoded and then the transcoded video data is synchronized with the audio data.

D is an apparatus for transcoding a coded multiplexed sound and moving picture sequence comprising a rate converter, which is operated to compress only the video bit streams.

The subject matter of the present invention (Claims 1-4) and that of the prior art document D are considered to be similar in that both relate to a method of transcoding AV data and do not compress audio data. The difference between said claims and said document lies in the specific method of transcoding video data, which does not involve any technical difficulties to a person skilled in the art. Accordingly, it would be obvious to a person skilled in the art to derive the invention of claims 1-4 from the prior art D.

Therefore, the subject matter of the Claims 1-4 is considered to be novel, but it does not have an inventive step(Article 33(2)-(3) PCT).

**2. Industrial Applicability**

Claims 1-22 of the present invention meet the criteria set out in PCT Article 33(4) because they are directed to a method and apparatus for transcoding digital audio/video streams. Therefore, the subject matter of claims 1-22 is considered to be industrially applicable.